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This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

DPC will conduct a strategic planning workshop

The Delta Protection Commission (DPC) will conduct a strategic planning workshop on January 10 in West Sacramento. Workshop agenda is here.



The latest issue of SFEWS is now available online

The latest issue of <u>San Francisco Estuary and Watershed Science</u> (SFEWS) is now available online. This issue examines the spatial distribution of salinity as a function of freshwater flow in the San Francisco Estuary, 1-D hydrodynamic and salinity transport modeling to study the effects of sea level rise and water diversions on the Delta, and the use of coded-wire tag expansion factors for Chinook salmon carcass surveys to estimate proportions of hatchery-origin fish.

Save the date -Feb. 10-11 Delta outflows workshop The Delta Science Program will present a workshop titled "Delta Outflows and Related Stressors" February 10-11 in Sacramento. This workshop will identify the best available science to inform the State Water Quality Control Board's decisions. An independent panel of science experts will provide the necessary scientific publications, reports, and presentations to assess the state of scientific knowledge pertaining to appropriate indicators of Bay Delta ecosystem health. More information is <a href="https://preserved.com/here-necessary-necessa

USGS reports sinking land in the San Joaquin Valley

The U.S. Geologic Survey (USGS) released a report, <u>Land Subsidence along the Delta-Mendota Canal in the Northern Part of the San Joaquin Valley, California, 2003–10</u>, indicating that "Extensive groundwater pumping from San Joaquin Valley aquifers



is increasing the rate of land subsidence, or sinking. This large-scale and rapid subsidence has the potential to cause serious damage to the water delivery infrastructure."

DBW is mechanically harvesting water hyacinth in the Delta

The California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) began mechanical harvesting of water hyacinth in parts of the Delta on December 6. Harvesting will continue until the beginning of next year's herbicide treatment season in early March. The focus of the mechanical harvesting will be at various locations including Stockton's Marina and Waterfront, Village West Marina, Fourteen Mile Slough, Rivers End Marina, Old River, Whiskey Slough, Weatherbee Lake, as well as various adjacent areas where water hyacinth has travelled and is impairing navigation.

Save the date - Feb. 12

Marketing Your Delta

Business workshop

The Delta Conservancy and the Delta Protection Commission are conducting a free workshop on February 12 in Walnut Grove, which is part of the Delta Branding and Marketing Project. The workshop, Marketing Your Delta Business, will help participants explore and identify their story and how to use it to cross-promote a business. The workshop uses stories, photographs, and real-time surveys to identify marketing and business promotion opportunities that help cross-promotions.



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